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July 2026

Taft Branch Library

Adult's EVENTS GUIDE



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Special Events



Golden Meadow Goats

MONDAY, JULY 6TH | 10:30 AM | ALL AGES

The library invites you to meet Golden Meadow Goats for a fun, hands-on goat interaction for families.

Wild Man Dan

MONDAY, JULY 20TH | 10:30 AM | ALL AGES

This exciting, hands-on program features a variety of reptiles and amphibians, offering a fun and educational experience for children and families to learn about wildlife up close.



WE  OUR
FRIENDS!

We love our Friends Group! Support them by donating gently used, good-condition books to help fund library programs and services the whole community enjoys.

Passive Programs

Coloring Station

EVERY DAY IN JULY | ALL DAY | ALL AGES

Stop by the Coloring Station and relax with a variety of fun designs to color—perfect for a quick creative break for all ages.

The Great Garden Showdown

EVERY DAY IN JULY | ALL DAY | ALL AGES

Get ready for The Great Garden Showdown! Compete, create, and show off your gardening skills in this fun and friendly challenge for all ages.

Book Recommendation Garden

EVERY DAY IN JULY | ALL DAY | ALL AGES

The library invites you to explore the Passive Book Recommendation Garden, a self-guided display where you can browse and discover new reads for all ages.



#KCLSUMMERREADINGCHALLENGE2026

The Summer Reading Challenge (SRC) is our library system's longest-running annual program, encouraging reading and exploration all summer long. For adults, completing the challenge earns you a book to build your home library, along with local and Bakersfield incentives. Track your progress on Beanstack, discover new reads, and celebrate your love of reading during this fun, two-month program!



For more event information, visit our website - kclevents.org

Library workshops, performances, and events are FREE and open to the public. We're adding more programs all the time! At times, programs may be rescheduled or canceled without advance notice.

Adult Programs

Community Cookbook Club II

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1ST | 5 PM | AGES 18+

The library invites you to Community Cookbook Club II, a collaborative program where participants share recipes, connect over food, and explore new dishes together.

DIY Worm Bin

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH | 5 PM | AGES 18+

The library invites you to DIY Worm Bin, a hands-on program where participants build their own compost system and learn the basics of vermicomposting.

Community Cookbook Submissions

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15TH | 12 PM | AGES 18+

The library invites you to submit your favorite recipes for the Community Cookbook, a collaborative project celebrating local flavors and shared traditions.

Flowering Book Centerpieces

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15TH | 4 PM | AGES 18+

The library invites you to create Flowering Book Centerpieces, a hands-on craft program where participants design decorative arrangements combining books and floral-inspired elements.

Community Cookbook Final

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22ND | 4 PM | AGES 18+

The library invites you to the Community Cookbook Final, a celebration event showcasing shared recipes and the completed community cookbook.

Special Events



Life Succs Without Plants

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29TH | 5 PM | AGES 18+

The library invites you to attend Life Succs Without Plants, a hands-on succulent planting and learning program. Participants will learn about succulent care and create their own planted container



SRC Finale

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29TH | 3 PM | ALL AGES

**GRAND
FINALE**

The library invites you to the SRC Finale, a special end-of-program celebration for the Summer Reading Challenge featuring activities, prizes, and fun for all ages.



Seed Library

Borrow free seeds for vegetables, herbs, and flowers to plant at home! Take what you need, plant, and if possible, save and return seeds to keep the library thriving!
Available Everyday!



Happy Fourth of July!

All Kern County Library branches will be closed Friday, July 3 and Saturday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. Branches will reopen Monday, July 6, and resume normal business hours. We wish

Taft Branch Library

Monday

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10:30 - Golden Meadow
Goats *

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10:30 - Louie Cruz Beltran *
4 - Paint with Megan

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10:30 - Wild Man Dan *

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1:30 - Kraut-Chi Making

Tuesday

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Wednesday

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5 - Community Cookbook
Club II

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5 - DIY Worm Bin

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12 - Community
Cookbook Recipe
Submissions

5 - Flowering Book
Centerpiece

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4 - Community Cookbook
Final

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3 - Summer Reading
Challenge Finale

5 - Life Succs Without
Plants



JULY 2026

Branch Hours:

Mon.-Wed. | 10am-6pm



* Events will be at Taft College Student Center